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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
12 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

15 Plaintiff,

16 vs.

17 JASON EDWARD THOMAS  
18 CARDIFF,

19 Defendant.  
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Case No. 5:23-cr-00021-JGB

**JASON CARDIFF'S *EX PARTE*  
APPLICATION TO: (1) CONTINUE  
AND CONSOLIDATE HEARINGS  
ON PENDING MOTIONS AND (2)  
LEAVE OF COURT TO ALLOW  
JASON CARDIFF'S  
PARTICIPATION BY VIDEO**

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23 **I. CONTACT INFORMATION FOR OPPOSING COUNSEL**

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## 9 **II. APPLICATION**

10 Defendant, Jason Cardiff requests that the Court consolidate and combine  
11 hearings on the Government's Motion to Forfeit Bail and for Summary Adjudication  
12 set for March 3, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. with Defendant's Motion to Compel Production of  
13 Extradition File and Related Communications set for March 10, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.  
14 Counsel for Defendant sought concurrence in this cost saving measure on February 14,  
15 20215 was told that the Government was unable to accommodate scheduling a hearing  
16 on its motion for 7 days. Counsel previously conferred with Government counsel  
17 regarding video conference participation by Mr. Cardiff, which was opposed. The  
18 Court previously denied Mr. Cardiff's participation.

## 19 **POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

20 Counsel for Defendant is located in Houston, Texas and one of the Government's  
21 attorneys is in Washington, D.C.

22 Federal Rule of Procedure 1 provides that the rules should be construed and  
23 administered by the courts and parties to secure the just, speedy and inexpensive  
24 determination of every action and proceeding. The refusal to consolidate the two  
25 motions for a hearing date on March 10, 2025 imposes unnecessary costs on all parties.

26 Mr. Cardiff requests that he be allowed to participate and attend the hearings by  
27 video conference. F.R. Crim. P. 43. Defendant recognizes that the Court  
28 previously denied a request due to his absence but respectfully requests that the Court  
grant permission for these motions.



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I HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE FOLLOWING COUNSEL HAVE BEEN SERVED WITH THIS DEFENDANT JASON CARDIFF'S NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION TO SUPPRESS EVIDENCE THROUGH THE COURT'S ECF NEXT GEN ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM:

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